

Merchantville, NJ May 10, 2021

A regular meeting of Borough Council was held via ZOOM at 7:30 PM, Monday, May 10, 2021. Mayor Ted Brennan presided. Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer for Police we have lost were observed. Announcement was made that the meeting had been advertised in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the "Open Public Meetings Act".

ROLL CALL:

Council Present: Sean Fitzgerald, Andrew McLoone, Anthony Perno, Maria Nina Scarpa, Raymond Woods, Daniel Sperrazza and Mayor Edward Brennan. Attorney Timothy Higgins, CFO Denise Moules, Clerk Denise Brouse and Tom Leisse were present.

PROCLAMATION: National Police Week

PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

WHEREAS, The Congress and President of the United States have designated May 15 as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, and the week in which May 15 falls as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, the members of the law enforcement agency of Merchantville play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the Borough of Merchantville, its residents, businesses and visitors; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibility, hazards and sacrifices of their local law enforcement agency, and that members of the Borough's law enforcement agency recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression; and

WHEREAS, the men and women of the law enforcement agency of Merchantville unceasingly provide a vital public service that contributes significantly to the character and nature of the Borough of Merchantville, providing a safe and comfortable environment in which to raise a family, run a business and visit.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward F. Brennan, Mayor of Merchantville, call upon all citizens of Merchantville and upon all patriotic, civic and educational organizations to observe the Week of May 9 -15, 2021 as Police Week with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all of our people may join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in so doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

I FURTHER call upon all citizens of Merchantville to observe Sunday, May 15th as Peace Officers' Memorial Day in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community or have become disabled in the performance of duty, and let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Borough of Merchantville to be affixed

Proclaimed this 10th day of May 2021

Edward F. Brennan Mayor,
Borough of Merchantville

PUBLIC:

Jennifer North, 317 Woodbine Avenue – Diversity, Ivory Pardo’s arrest, disappointed with the Diversity Committee, not sure of the purpose of the committee. Why isn’t the meeting advertised ahead of time? Look at data on statistics. Would benefit from more members. Why hasn’t the committee spoken to Ivory? I gave overview of Ivory Pardo situation. The arrest report does not represent the criteria of the town.

Kerry Mentzer, 201 St. James Avenue – Sent studies regarding cannabis. Take time to study the towns where cannabis has been established. Explain why you are voting the way you are. For every dollar received \$4.75 is in cost. This does not belong in a small town. Opt out.

Joe Bouvier, 211 St. James Avenue – I am not for or against cannabis but think we should opt out and do research. Vote when you have more information. Get feedback from residents. Take more time to make this decision. Limit number of dispensaries in town. Sales tax? Other tax? How do we calculate revenue? Would the number of visitors be increased? Where would the site plan be located by park? Parking? Police? What is the Chief’s view? Oaklyn is taking time to decide, why is Merchantville not taking time?

Jaclyn Ricci, 27 N. Centre Street – Parking issues for businesses, need to identify Verizon lot as parking option. Not going to have enough parking. Need a plan and need to be more prepared. The Mayor had conversations with Mara Wuebker and we are working on a plan.

Nicole Nurthern, 2 E. Maple Avenue – Construction notice last Friday. No other notice. Asking that in the future that the Borough gives more notice. More notice for the businesses to get a plan together. Items in the windows of businesses who provide a service should be able to put printed photos in their windows if they do not sell a product. Digital signs should be allowed.

Carolyn Booster, 205 S. Centre – Agrees with what was said by Jaclyn Ricci and Nicole Nurthern.

Rita O’Brien, 5 W. Park Avenue – Trash issue over the last year at public trash cans downtown is dirty. Dumpsters are overflowing. We will discuss with Gold Medal and let you know what the response is?

PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 21-03 Amend Chapter 83A Tobacco Products**NONE**

On the motion of Mr. Fitzgerald and second of Mr. Woods Council approved the following Ordinance. Council members voted as follows:

Fitzgerald	McLoone	Perno	Scarpa	Sperrazza	Woods	Brennan
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	

21-03

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 83A OF THE
CODE BOOK OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE
“USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN PUBLIC AREAS”**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that Chapter 83A known as the “**USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN PUBLIC AREAS**” of the Borough of Merchantville be and is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 84A, known as “**USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN PUBLIC AREAS**” be and is hereby amended to include the following:

Title of Ordinance to be amended as follow –

“USE OF TOBACCO, CANNABIS, MARIJUANA PRODUCTS IN PUBLIC AREAS”

Article I. Section 83A-1 Definitions

SMOKING -To smoke shall mean the burning of, inhaling, exhaling and or the inhaling and exhaling the smoke and or vapor from or the possession of a lighted cigar, cigarette, e-cigarette, pipe, battery or electronic smoking device, or other paraphernalia that can be used to consume tobacco, e-liquid, cannabis, marijuana products or a tobacco like substance. Tobacco products encompasses all smokeless tobacco, including, but not limited to, chewing tobacco; loose leaf tobacco; tobacco pellets; plug tobacco; twist or rope tobacco; dipping tobacco and dissolvable tobacco.

SECTION 2. All ordinances and provisions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection or part, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, such section, subsection, part, clause or phrase shall be deemed to be severable from the remainder of the ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication as required by law.

PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 21-04 Salary Ordinance

NONE

On the motion of Ms. Scarpa and second of Mr. McLoone Council approved the following Ordinance. Council members voted as follows:

Fitzgerald	McLoone	Perno	Scarpa	Sperrazza	Woods	Brennan
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

21-04

**AN ORDINANCE FOR THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE IN THE COUNTY OF
CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY ENTITLED
“SALARIES & COMPENSATION”**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville as follows:

SECTION 1. The maximum annual salaries of the employees of the Borough of Merchantville are hereby established, in accordance with the following schedule for services performed during the year 2021 as of January 1, 2021.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Tax Clerk (Per Hour)	16.35
Accounts Payable Clerk (Per Hour)	13.80
Tax Assessor	10,300.00
Mayor	2,000.00
Member of Council	1,200.00
Borough Clerk/Registrar	70,890.00
Deputy Code Enforcement Officer (Per Hour)	20.00
Administrative Clerk (Per Hour)	15.00 – 20.00
Community Development Director	64,297.00
Electrical Sub-Code Official	4,600.00
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	4,600.00
Police Secretary	43,856.00
Police Special Officer (Per Hour)	15.00
Community Affairs/Crime Prevention Officer (Per Hour)	24.65
Records Management Coordinator (Per Hour)	26.00
School Traffic Guard (Per shift through June 30)	14.50
School Traffic Guard (Per shift – Start July 1)	14.50
Drug Alliance Coordinator	1,000.00
Meter Attendant (Per Hour)	13.00
Wastewater Collection Operator	3,000.00
Public Works Manager	25,000.00
Public Works Supervisor	65,000.00
Public Works CDL Driver/Laborer (Per hour)	15.00 – 20.00
Paid Fireman I	70,163.00
Paid Fireman II	35,000.00
Fire Official	3,000.00
Fire Inspector (Paid per Inspection per pay scale)	4,800.00
Sound Recorder (Per Session)	50.00
Prosecutor	11,000.00
Public Defender	8,000.00
Clean Communities Worker (Per Hour)	12.00
Clean Communities Coordinator	2,000.00
Deputy Registrar	1,000.00
Public Works Temporary Worker (Per Hour)	12.00 – 15.00
Magistrate	12,500.00
Municipal Court Administrator	49,275.00
Deputy Court Administrator (Per Hour)	16.40
Off-Duty Officers Outside Employment (Per Hour)	75.00
Parks and Playground Director	2,400.00
Parks and Playground Assistant Director	2,400.00

Parks and Playgrounds Counselor, First Year (Per Hour)	11.10
Parks and Playgrounds Counselor, Returning (Per Hour)	Up to 2.00 Over Prior Year Rate
Special DWI Session – Municipal Judge per session	500.00
Special DWI Session – Court Administrator (Per Hour)	43.56
Special DWI Session – Deputy Court Administrator (Per Hour)	33.40
Special DWI Session – Sound Recorder (Per Session)	50.00

SECTION 2. Wages to be paid to persons performing any other work except as described herein, and which employee or officer is not covered by a union contract, shall be paid the sum of minimum wage to \$25.00 per hour, with time and one-half for overtime when approved by the department head.

SECTION 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies only.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after publication thereof following final passage, and all salaries and compensation shall be retroactive to January 1, 2021 except where noted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- On the motion of Mr. Fitzgerald and second of Mr. McLoone Council approved the following minutes – Council 3/8/2021. Council members voted as follows:

Fitzgerald	McLoone	Perno	Scarpa	Sperrazza	Woods	Brennan
Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes	Yes	

- On the motion of Mr. Woods and second of Mr. Sperrazza Council approved the following minutes – Caucus 4/12/2021. Council members voted as follows:

Fitzgerald	McLoone	Perno	Scarpa	Sperrazza	Woods	Brennan
Yes	Yes	Yes	Abstain	Yes	Yes	

ENGINEER REPORT:

CORRESPONDENCE: State Aid Applications being accepted

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Mr. Fitzgerald – Public Works is at full staff. We will hire a part time employee for cutting the lawn. We have received no bids for lawn cutting. We have the equipment to do mowing. Considering purchasing a street sweeper from Barrington. Mayor asked for us to work on trash as well as See Click Fix is being used.

Ms. Scarpa – Shade Tree – continues to be done. Bee hive relocated. Updated forms. Pedestrian Walkway – tree review and site tree. Tree planted on Arbor Day and will plant another tree soon. Tree walk of Centre Street project trees were reviewed trying to save trees. Court - brought in \$8,023.94. 242 cases added 193 disposed, 32% less than last year. Mayor stated that the Spotted Lantern Flies are being removed in other towns.

Mr. McLoone – Fire – 22 calls, 14 in the Borough. Drills every Tuesday. Keeping training current. Several trucks need repairs. Chief Patti thanks everyone who helped with Metzler funeral. Police – April - 1,303 calls, 112 traffic, 121 parking, 9 arrests. We had one officer that contracted Covid. We will have National Night Out in August. Week of activities for Police Week online. \$1,359 body armor grant. We are applying for grants. CPR certification by all officers and fire arms. Drug take back with CVS in April almost 55lbs of expired drugs. Mayor stated that the officers have worn body cameras for over 3 years.

Mr. Sperrazza – No Report.

Mr. Woods – Diversity Committee – BLM flag was raised. Social progress. Juneteenth holiday tonight by resolution. I disagree that the diversity committee is small in numbers, too many people will make it more difficult to get things done. MLK clean-up day. Resolution for BLM and another regarding Juneteenth. Links are on the website and social media. The committee does not look into police matters. Volunteers running the group will have open dialog with police not internal affairs group. We have an open door and are willing to listen.

Mr. Perno – Bills List. Budget .054 increase \$100 of average home \$265,018 increase. Insurance. Waste disposal, police, public works staff, lost revenue \$56,000. Green cans two time pick up weekly. Dumpster pick up may increase. Vacant property-24 total, the new ones include; 25 W. Park, 320 W. Maple, 11 W. Walnut, 116 Poplar, and 214 W. Maple.

Thank Mr. Perno on the Budget.

Ms. Moules – Nothing more on the budget, thank you.

CLERK’S REPORT:

Centre Street Reconstruction Project – Update, work to support
 Extension of financial disclosure statements until the end of June
 Memorial Day ceremony and ground breaking at Wellwood on May 31st at 10:00
 Public meeting for the TAP grant will be May 25th virtually
 Parks and Playgrounds will be from July 6 to August 6, information will be coming is the next few weeks

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Downtown Redevelopment Area – 5/24 meeting with interested parties. TAP meeting 5/25 all virtual meetings.
- b. Vaccination Registration – Great effort by staff.
- c. Trash/Recycling Collection Update – Over a year to find other municipalities for shared service. Two bidders responded. We agree to extend the bid.
- d. Borough Council Cannabis Discussion

Ms. Scarpa – We should opt out. Sent a sample Ordinance. We should wait some time. We need guidelines from the State. We should have the Chief come and talk about public safety.

Mr. McLoone – Will be sent to the planning board for review and recommendations. Not sure about retail vote, I don’t know if it fits here. We need to take our time. It brings risks to our family community.

Mr. Fitzgerald – Number of people that voted in favor of cannabis. Police-talked about the training, which is coming soon. The good should outweigh the bad. We are expecting to see business-type people coming in. Read overview of Denver study and the level of crime has gone back down. Small towns have had good experiences and increased revenue. More services and less taxes, this could be the way in favor of rec sale.

Mr. Woods – Supports opt in on retail and support opt in of all others at this time and consider again later. Not the Wild West. We need to think of what is best for Merchantville.

Mr. Sperrazza – Homelessness is coming back from incarceration. This will help ease incarceration if we deny micro businesses we are doing a disservice. Police will need to be trained either way we

decide. We don't see underage drinking with liquor stores in town. No significant increase in crime where cannabis was available. Will not be allowed near schools. I am in favor of retail.

Mr. Perno – Read articles and was not persuaded. Methadone clinic in town and it is done in a professional way. Worked in Camden and saw dumping of certain situations in poor areas. We have the ability to regulate and address issues. We have an opportunity to move forward and have planning board review. In favor of retail and not beyond and can amend the vote.

- e. 606 W. Maple Avenue – Appointment of Subcommittee of Council to Review Issue of Transfer of LTTE

606 W. Maple Avenue owners requested transfer of tax exemption to new owner. Council did not want to move forward with PILOT for new owner. A suit was filed. Court issued a judgement that the Borough did not deliberate long enough. Council is allowed to make the decision. Will provide a good faith effort and appoint committee of Mr. Perno, Mr. McLoone, and Mr. Sperrazza to review all items submitted and meet with potential owners. We will provide a recommendation at the June meeting. Resolution to appoint committee with criteria and threshold and PILOT.

NEW BUSINESS:

On the motion of Ms. Scarpa and second of Mr. Fitzgerald, Council approved the following:

- Use of Facility – Market Off Centre

On the motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Fitzgerald, Council approved the following:

R21-53 Read Budget by Title only

R21-53

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE BUDGET TO BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-8, as amended by L.2015, c. 95, 14, 2015, , provides that the budget be read by title only at the time of the public hearing if a resolution is passed by not less than a majority of the full governing body, providing that at least one week prior to the date of the hearing a complete copy of the budget has been made available for public inspection, and has been made available to each person upon request; and.

WHEREAS, these two conditions have been met;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Budget shall be read by title only.

PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

On the motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. McLoone, Council approved the following:

Adoption of R21-54 Adopt Budget

R21-54

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2021 MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE
BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN IN THE STATE
OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden that the budget hereinafter set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of \$5,423,893.27 for municipal purposes, and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations:

**Revenue and Appropriation
Summaries**

Summary of Revenues	
	2021
1. Surplus	660,000.00
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues	1,163,700.19
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	210,000.00
4. a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	3,390,193.08
b) Addition to Local District School Tax	-
c) Minimum Library Tax	-
Total Amt to be Raised by Taxes for Sup of Muni Budget	3,390,193.08
Total General Revenues	5,423,893.27

Summary of Appropriations	
	2021 Budget
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	1,976,658.00
Other Expenses	1,985,644.13
2. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriation	575,251.50
3. Capital Improvements	90,000.00
4. Debt Service (Include for School Purposes)	488,131.00
5. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	308,208.64
Total General Appropriations	5,423,893.27
Total Number of Employees	51

Summary of Revenues	
	2021
1. Surplus	41,511.00
2. Sewer Rents	450,000.00
3. Miscellaneous	5,000.00
Total Revenues	496,511.00

Summary of Appropriations	
	2021 Budget
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	80,400.00
Other Expenses	261,124.00
2. Capital Improvements	-
3. Debt Service	148,487.00
4. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	6,500.00
Total Appropriations	496,511.00
Total Number of Employees	3

General	
Interest	94,431.00
Principal	393,700.00
Outstanding Balance	4,553,746.00

RESOLUTIONS to be read by consent agenda

On the motion of Mr. Fitzgerald and second of Mr. Woods, Council approved the following resolutions, Council members voted as follows:

Fitzgerald	McLoone	Perno	Scarpa	Sperrazza	Woods	Brennan
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	

R21-55

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY REFERRING CERTAIN MATTERS TO THE MERCHANTVILLE PLANNING BOARD FOR REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26

WHEREAS, the Borough of Merchantville is a municipal entity organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey and located in Camden County, New Jersey (“Merchantville”); and

WHEREAS, the Merchantville Planning Board (“Planning Board”) is an autonomous entity created by the Borough of Merchantville pursuant to and governed by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the statute, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26(a) requires that, prior to the adoption of a development regulation, revision, or amendment thereto, the [municipal] Planning Board shall make and transmit to the governing body, within 35 days after referral, a report including identification of any provisions in the proposed development regulation, revision or amendment which are inconsistent with the master plan and recommendations concerning these inconsistencies and any other matters as the board deems appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville wish to refer to the Merchantville Planning Board, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26(a), the following issue for discussion as to enactment of an appropriate ordinance addressing the item:
Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to permit as conditional uses, in the B-1 Central Business Zoning District and in the B-1 Central Business and the B-2 Neighborhood Business Zoning District, certain uses consistent with the New Jersey Compassionate Use Marijuana Act, N.J.S.A. 24:6I-1 et seq., and the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act, N.J.S.A. 24:6I-31 et seq., within the Borough of Merchantville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26(a), the issue of the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to permit as conditional uses, in the B-1 Central Business Zoning District and in the B-1 Central Business and the B-2 Neighborhood Business Zoning District, certain uses consistent with the New Jersey Compassionate Use Marijuana Act, N.J.S.A. 24:6I-1 et seq., and the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act, N.J.S.A. 24:6I-31 et seq., within the Borough of Merchantville, be and hereby is referred to the Merchantville Planning Board for the action as required by statute.

On the motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Sperrazza, Council approved the following resolutions, Council members voted as follows:

Fitzgerald	McLoone	Perno	Scarpa	Sperrazza	Woods	Brennan
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

R21-56
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE,
COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING
THE APPLICATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY
AFFAIRS RECREATION GRANT AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Merchantville desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$ 48,750 to carry out a project to upgrade and improve the Merchantville Community Center and associated recreation facilities. Specifically, the Borough seeks funding for milling and repaving of the existing basketball court and for replacing the flooring in the Community Center.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Borough of Merchantville does hereby authorize the application for such a grant and that the Borough of Merchantville recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Borough of Merchantville and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the person whose names, titles, and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

R21-57
**RESOLUTION CERTIFYING A LIEN AGAINST CERTAIN PROPERTIES
FOR COSTS INCURRED BY THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 3 of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville entitled the "Property Maintenance Code", notice of noncompliance was sent to the below properties,

WHEREAS, said property owners did not comply with said notice and the Merchantville Public Works Department was ordered to abate the violations; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Governing Body, in accordance with Chapter 60B of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville, to certify said costs incurred by the Merchantville Public Works Department as a lien against the properties; in accordance with Chapter 3 of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the following lien is hereby certified as against the property as noted in accordance with Chapter 3 of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville:

320 W Maple Ave	\$250.00	(5/4)
15 Clinton Ave	\$250.00	(5/4)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall forward a certified copy of this resolution to the owner(s) of the subject property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector shall be responsible for collection of the amounts herein certified.

R21-59

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY FORMALLY RECOGNIZING THE NINETEENTH
DAY IN THE MONTH OF JUNE AS JUNETEENTH DAY**

WHEREAS, Juneteenth Day, also known as Freedom Day, Jubilee Day, Liberation Day, and Emancipation Day, is a holiday celebrating the emancipation of all enslaved African Americans in the Confederate States; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth Day is recognized each year on the nineteenth day of June, the anniversary of the announcement by Union Army General Gordon Granger, proclaiming freedom from slavery in Galveston, Texas on June 19, 1865; and

WHEREAS, the Emancipation Proclamation was issued by President Abraham Lincoln on January 1, 1863, freeing all enslaved people living in Confederate states, it was not until June 19, 1865 that enslaved Black Americans in Galveston, Texas learned that the Civil War was over and they were free; and

WHEREAS, while the Emancipation Proclamation declared enslaved people in the Confederate states free, all enslaved people in the United States were not declared officially freed until the ratification of the 13th Amendment on December 6, 1865; and

WHEREAS, even after the ratification of the 13th Amendment, Black Americans were not fully recognized as citizens until the passage of the 14th Amendment in 1868, and Black men were largely prevented from voting until the passage of the 15th Amendment in 1870; and

WHEREAS, despite the passage of these Amendments to the United States Constitution confirming the rights of Black Americans in the 19th Century, Black Americans were forced to continue to fight for civil rights throughout the 20th Century; and

WHEREAS, the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Civil Rights Act of 1968 were monumental achievements in safeguarding civil rights for Black Americans, however, more than 50 years since their passage, Black Americans still face oppression in many forms in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Juneteenth is a reminder for all Americans of the harrowing history of slavery and racism in this nation, the hardships Black Americans have endured for centuries in this country, as well as the racism and systemic barriers many Black Americans continue to face to this day; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Merchantville believes in the importance of shining light on this country's horrific history of slavery and discrimination against Black Americans in order to promote social progress; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Merchantville stands in unity with Black Americans in our community and throughout this nation as we join together to celebrate the end of slavery in the United States and the continued fight for racial equality for Black American on June 19th of each year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the June 19th, 2021, and each June 19th henceforth, shall be officially recognized as Juneteenth Day in the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden and State of New Jersey.

R21-60

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE,
COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
FISCAL GRANT CYCLE OCTOBER 2020- JUNE 2025
FORM 1B**

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Camden;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

The Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Merchantville Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2022 in the amount of

DEDR	\$3305.00
Cash Match	\$826.25
In-Kind	\$2478.75

The Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

On the motion of Mr. McLoone and second of Mr. Fitzgerald, Council approved the following resolutions, Council members voted as follows:

Fitzgerald	McLoone	Perno	Scarpa	Sperrazza	Woods	Brennan
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

R21-58

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO APPROVE CONTRACTOR FOR SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING IN THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville went out to bid for Solid Waste and Recycling in the Borough of Merchantville; and

WHEREAS, both bidders that responded to the bids agreed to waive the timeframe for the contract decision pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-24;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Merchantville is awarding a five year contract for the collection of solid waste and recycling to Gold Medal, 309 Salina Road, Sewell, NJ 08080 in the amount, not to exceed, \$1,247,952.50 for the period from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2026;

ORDINANCES for introduction on first reading, these ordinances will be considered for adoption at the public hearing to be held during the June 14th council meeting:

On the motion of Mr. Woods and second of Mr. Sperrazza, Council approved the following ordinances:

Fitzgerald	McLoone	Perno	Scarpa	Sperrazza	Woods	Brennan
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	

21-05

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING ARTICLES VIII AND VIIIA OF CHAPTER 94, ZONING, IN THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, that Article VIII and Article VIIIA of Chapter 94, Zoning, in the Code of the Borough of Merchantville, are hereby amended, as follows:

ARTICLE I. ARTICLE VIII SECTION 94-33.1. Conditional Uses.

The purpose of this section is to set forth the requirements and procedures applicable to conditional uses, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-67. A conditional use shall not be approved for any site unless the use is specifically approved as a conditional use in the zone for which it is proposed by the Planning/ Zoning Board. The following conditional uses shall be permitted in the B-1 Central Business Zoning District as follows:

- A. Retained in its entirety.
- B. Retained in its entirety.
- C. Retained in its entirety.
- D. Alternative Treatment Centers which are authorized to grow and provide registered qualifying patients with usable marijuana and related paraphernalia (including cultivation, manufacturing, and/or dispensing of medical marijuana), in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Compassionate Use Marijuana Act, N.J.S.A. 24:6I-1 et seq., provided the following conditions are met:

- (1) No Alternate Treatment Center shall be located within 200 feet of any property used for school purposes or which is owned by or leased to any elementary school secondary school or school board;
- (2) No Alternate Treatment Center shall be located within 50 feet of any R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4 residential zoning district or an adjacent community's residential-only zoning district;
- (3) No Alternate Treatment Center shall be located within 200 feet of another similar facility (i.e., Alternative Treatment Center or Authorized Recreational Marijuana Retail Facility).
- (4) Notice of the application has been given, and publication made, pursuant to NJSA 40:55D-12;
- (5) A site plan application has been made for the lot, and the Planning/Zoning Board has approved such conditional use, and the requirements and conditions of site plan/conditional use have been met.
- (6) The proposed facility shall be so located and of such size and character that, in general, it shall be in harmony with the existing development in the general area in which it is proposed to be situated, particularly if it is located in the Historic District, and the use shall be free of nuisance characteristics detectable to normal senses beyond the boundaries of the property (including noise, vibration, dust, odor and sanitation).
- (7) In addition to the above:
 - (a) The location, size, activity, site layout, street access, pedestrian and vehicular movement and possible assembly of people shall be harmonious with surrounding land uses;
 - (b) The location and height of buildings, fences and landscaping shall not discourage the appropriate development and use or materially affect property values of the adjacent properties.

(8) Hours of Operation shall be restricted to 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

(9) Use or consumption in any manner of marijuana is not permitted on the premises of any medical marijuana dispensary at any time.

(10) Persons under the age of eighteen years of age are not permitted to be on the premises of any medical marijuana dispensary at any time unless they are a qualified patient or a primary caregiver, and they are in the presence of their parent or guardian.

(11) Advertisements, displays of merchandise, signs or any other exhibit depicting the activities of the dispensary placed within the interior of buildings or premises shall be arranged or screened to prevent public viewing from outside such building or premises.

(12) Outdoor loudspeakers or other outdoor sound equipment advertising or directing attention to a dispensary, including but not limited to prerecorded or live music or sounds, are prohibited.

E. Authorized Recreational Marijuana Retail Facility, involving the sale of marijuana and related paraphernalia for recreational purposes to members of the general public, pursuant to the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act, N.J.S.A. 24:6I-31 et seq., provided the following conditions are met:

(1) No Authorized Recreational Marijuana Facility shall be located within 200 feet of any property used for school purposes or which is owned by or leased to any elementary school secondary school or school board;

(2) No Authorized Recreational Marijuana Facility shall be located within 50 feet of any R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4 residential zoning district or an adjacent community's residential-only zoning district;

(3) No Authorized Recreational Marijuana Facility shall be located within 200 feet of another similar facility (i.e., Alternative Treatment Center or Authorized Recreational Marijuana Retail Facility).

(4) Notice of the application has been given, and publication made, pursuant to NJSA 40:55D-12;

(5) A site plan application has been made for the lot, and the Planning/Zoning Board has approved such conditional use, and the requirements and conditions of site plan/conditional use have been met.

(6) The proposed facility shall be so located and of such size and character that, in general, it shall be in harmony with the existing development in the general area in which it is proposed to be situated, particularly if it is located in the Historic District, and the use shall be free of nuisance characteristics detectable to normal senses beyond the boundaries of the property (including noise, vibration, dust, odor and sanitation).

(7) In addition to the above:

(a) The location, size, activity, site layout, street access, pedestrian and vehicular movement and possible assembly of people shall be harmonious with surrounding land uses;

(b) The location and height of buildings, fences and landscaping shall not discourage the appropriate development and use or materially affect property values of the adjacent properties.

(8) Hours of Operation shall be restricted to 12 p.m. to 9 p.m.

(9) Use or consumption of marijuana is permitted on the premises of an authorized recreational marijuana retail facility only if it is used or consumed indoors and only if the product is purchased at that retail facility. No outside purchases may be consumed on the premises.

(10) Persons under the age of eighteen years of age are not permitted to be on the premises of any authorized recreational marijuana retail facility at any time unless they are a qualified patient or a primary caregiver, and they are in the presence of their parent or guardian.

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ARTICLE II. ARTICLE VIIIA SECTION 94-37.1. Conditional Uses.

The purpose of this section is to set forth the requirements and procedures applicable to conditional uses in the B-2 district in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-67. A conditional use shall not be approved for any site unless the use is specifically approved as a conditional use in the zone for which it is proposed by the Planning/Zoning Board. Conditional uses shall be permitted in the B-2 Neighborhood Business Zoning District as follows:

- A. Retained in its entirety;
- B. Retained in its entirety.
- C. Retained in its entirety.

- D Retained in its entirety.
- E Retained in its entirety.
- F Retained in its entirety.
- G Retained in its entirety.

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ARTICLE III.

All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

ARTICLE IV.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication according to law.

On the motion of Mr. Woods and second of Mr. Fitzgerald, Council approved the following ordinances:

Fitzgerald	McLoone	Perno	Scarpa	Sperrazza	Woods	Brennan
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	

21-06

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY PERMITTING THE OPERATION OF CLASS FIVE (5) CANNABIS BUSINESSES AND PROHIBITING THE OPERATION OF CLASSES 1-2-3-4-6 OF CANNABIS BUSINESSES WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE

WHEREAS, in 2020 New Jersey voters approved Public Question No. 1, which amended the New Jersey Constitution to allow for the legalization of a controlled form of marijuana called "cannabis" for adults at least 21 years of age; and

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2021, Governor Murphy signed into law P.L. 2021, c. 16, known as the "New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act" (the "Act"), which legalizes the recreational use of marijuana by adults 21 years of age or older, and establishes a comprehensive regulatory and licensing scheme for commercial recreational (adult use) cannabis operations, use and possession; and

WHEREAS, the Act establishes six marketplace classes of licensed businesses, including:

- Class 1: Cannabis Cultivator license, for facilities involved in growing and cultivating cannabis;

- Class 2: Cannabis Manufacturer license, for facilities involved in the manufacturing, preparation, and packaging of cannabis items;
- Class 3: Cannabis Wholesaler license, for facilities involved in obtaining and selling cannabis items for later resale by other licensees;
- Class 4: Cannabis Distributor license, for businesses involved in transporting cannabis plants in bulk from on licensed cultivator to another licensed cultivator, or cannabis items in bulk from any type of licensed cannabis business to another;
- Class 5: Cannabis Retailer license for locations at which cannabis items and related supplies are sold to consumers; and
- Class 6: Cannabis Delivery license, for businesses providing courier services for consumer purchases that are fulfilled by a licensed cannabis retailer in order to make deliveries of the purchases items to a consumer, and which service would include the ability of a consumer to make a purchase directly through the cannabis delivery service which would be presented by the delivery service for fulfillment by a retailer and then delivered to a consumer.

WHEREAS, Section 31(a) of the Act authorizes municipalities by ordinance to adopt regulations governing the number of cannabis establishments (defined in section 3 of the Act as "a cannabis cultivator, a cannabis manufacturer, a cannabis wholesaler, or a cannabis retailer"), cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services allowed to operate within their boundaries, as well as the location manner and times operation of such establishments, distributors or delivery services, and establishing civil penalties for the violation of any such regulations; and

WHEREAS, Section 31(b) of the Act authorizes municipalities by ordinance to prohibit the operation of any one or more classes of cannabis establishments, distributors, or delivery services anywhere in the municipality; and

WHEREAS, Section 31(b) of the Act also stipulates, however, that any municipal regulation or prohibition must be adopted within 180 days of the effective date of the Act (*i.e.*, by August 22, 2021); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 31(b) of the Act, the failure to do so shall mean that for a period of five years thereafter, the growing, cultivating, manufacturing, selling and reselling of cannabis and cannabis items shall be permitted uses in all industrial zones, and the retail selling of cannabis items to consumers shall be a conditional use in all commercial and retail zones; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the initial and any subsequent five-year period following a failure to enact local regulations or prohibitions, the municipality shall again have 180 days to adopt an ordinance regulating or prohibiting cannabis businesses, but any such ordinance would be prospective only and would not apply to any cannabis business already operating within the municipality; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Merchantville, as follows:

1. Pursuant to Section 31(b) of the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act (P.L. 2021, c. 16), cannabis retail establishments referred to as Class 5 businesses in the statute, subject to the provisions of Chapter 94 of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville, are permitted to operate in the Borough of Merchantville; and
2. Pursuant to Section 31(b) of the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act (P.L. 2021, c. 16), cannabis establishments, cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services referred to as Class 1, Class 2, Class 3, Class 4 and Class 6 businesses in the statute, are hereby prohibited from operating anywhere in the Borough of Merchantville, except

- for the delivery of cannabis items and related supplies by a delivery service.
3. Chapter 94, Zoning, of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville is hereby amended by adding to the list of prohibited uses, the following: "All classes of cannabis establishments, cannabis distributors or cannabis delivery services referred to as Class 1, Class 2, Class 3, Class 4 and Class 6 businesses in the statute, as said terms are defined in section 3 of P.L. 2021, c. 16, but not the delivery of cannabis items and related supplies by a delivery service."
 4. Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Code of the Borough of Merchantville inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
 5. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.
 6. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication, and as otherwise provided for by law.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

On the motion of Mr. Perno and second of Mr. Sperrazza, Council approved the following resolutions:

R21-62			
RESOLUTION			
RESOLVED that the Report of the Department of Accounts and Auditing be accepted and spread upon the minutes and the Treasurer be is hereby authorized to pay bill approved therein.			
CURRENT FUND		REVENUE	BUDGET
CHECKS CURRENT FUND	2020 BUDGET		
	2021 BUDGET	\$ 150.00	\$ 95,770.63
	GRANTS		\$ 259.11
	PFRS		\$ 386,133.11
	PERS		\$ 45,045.39
	DEBT SERVICE		
	BOARD OF EDUCATION*		
	MEDICAL DEDUCTIBLE		\$ 2,167.50
	CAMDEN COUNTY		\$ 536,247.47
WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL	4/23/21-5/7/21		\$ 149,965.26
WIRES / MANUAL CHECKS			\$ 65,651.69
	TOTAL CURRENT	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,281,240.16
SEWER UTILITY			
CHECKS SEWER FUND	2020 BUDGET		
	2021 BUDGET		
	DEBT SERVICE		
WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL	4/23/21-5/7/21		\$5,688.74
WIRE NJEIT LOAN			
WIRES /MANUAL CHECKS			
	TOTAL SEWER	\$ -	\$ 5,688.74
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND			
CHECK CAPITAL FUND			\$ 49,962.67

	MANUAL CHECK			
	WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL			
		TOTAL CAPITAL	\$ -	\$ 49,962.67
	TRUST FUND			
	CHECK TRUST OTHER FUND			\$ 1,602.48
	REDEVELOPER TRUST			
	WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL	4/23/21-5/7/21		13,797.22
	WIRES / MANUAL CHECKS			86,500.00
		TOTAL TRUST	\$ -	\$ 101,899.70
	SEWER CAPITAL FUND			
	CHECK SEWER CAPITAL			
	MANUAL CHECKS			
	WIRE TRANSFERS PAYROLL			
		TOTAL SEWER CAPITAL	\$ -	\$ -
	ANIMAL TRUST FUND			
	ANIMAL TRUST CHECK			
		TOTAL ANIMAL TRUST	\$ -	\$ -
	TOTAL BILL LIST & MANUAL CHECKS/WIRE		\$ 150.00	\$ 1,438,791.27
			GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,438,941.27

ANNOUNCEMENTS:**PRIVATE SESSION:**

On the motion of Mr. Fitzgerald and second of Mr. Woods private session.

**R21-64
RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE,
COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZING A PRIVATE SESSION OF COUNCIL**

Sean Fitzgerald offered the following resolution and **Ray Woods** moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Merchantville, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action upon the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

Matters of Personnel

3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter shall be made public.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Ray Woods and adopted on roll call by the following vote:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Fitzgerald	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. McLoone	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. Perno	(x)	()	()	()
Ms. Scarpa	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. Sperrazza	(x)	()	()	()
Mr. Woods	(x)	()	()	()

ADJOURNMENT: On the motion of Mr. Woods and second of Mr. Sperrazza the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

**ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED
OFFICIAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING
AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

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ENGINEER'S REPORT
FOR
MERCHANTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
May 10, 2021

The items for the Council's consideration include the following:

- A. FY2019 NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Program (MERCH 19005)
 - 1. The concrete and paving work have been completed on Clifton and Ivins. My office is reviewing the completion of punch list items. Contractor has been notified of remaining outstanding items.
- B. FY2020 NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Program (MERCH 19006)
 - 1. My office has revised the plans and specs to address review comments by the NJDOT. FY2020 plan designs have been integrated into the FY2021 plan designs.
- C. Glenwood Avenue Drainage (MERCH 19007)
 - 1. My office is working with the NJEPA for the submission of environmental review documents for the design of the storm water pump station. My office has received preliminary design comments from NJ Transit Rail Operations. We are working with NJT on access to obtain survey information for final design. My office completed geotechnical field work on April 22nd for final design, the design report will be issued on May 11th. Survey of the property including the utilities was also completed on April 22nd. My office has obtained stormwater pumping station design. We are contacting State offices for the status of Stormwater and Green Infrastructure Water Quality grants. My office has prepared a preliminary design package for review. My office is preparing technical specifications and a bid package in preparation for advertising.
- D. FY2021 NJDOT Municipal Aid Road Program (MERCH 21003)
 - 1. My office has completed the field work for design. The design plans for FY2020 and FY2021 have been prepared and transmitted to the Borough for review. The plans and specifications were transmitted to NJDOT on April 22nd for review and approval.
- E. General Engineering (MERCH 20001)
 - 1. My office is assisting the Borough with recreational improvements at the Community Center.
 - 2. My office is assisting the Borough with coordination of County road improvement projects in the Borough.
 - 3. My office is assisting the Borough with updating the priority list of streets to be rehabilitated within the Borough.
 - 4. My office is assisting the Borough with reviewing stormwater issues within the Borough. My office assisted the Borough with the submission of the 2019 and 2020 MS4 storm water reports to the NJDEP.
 - 5. My office is assisting the Borough with reviewing sewer connections as needed.
 - 6. My office is assisting the Borough with coordination of road opening permits and street restoration as needed.
 - 7. My office is assisting the Borough with providing design details and obtaining quotes for Wellwood Park memorial.
 - 8. My office is assisting the Borough with repairs to the Public Works building roof.